

DD/M&S 74-2744

24 JUL 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy to the DCI for the Intelligence Community

SUBJECT : Defense Intelligence Agency Personnel Assistance for
Agency Information Science Training Program

1. This memorandum outlines the key issues involved in our continuing need for professional personnel assistance from DIA for the Information Science Training Program (ISTP) managed by CIA's Office of Training. Since CIA assumed executive responsibility for the Program, there has been a steady input of students from the Defense Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency, and other Department of Defense elements. The DIA enrollment represents about twenty-five percent (25%) of the total enrollment from all departments and agencies. The interest in these courses remains high, and a backlog of students is evident at each registration. The ISTP could well be the best example of joint training in the USIB community.

2. The National Security Agency has supported the program with professional staff members since the Program's earliest days at Anacostia and recently has added to its complement. However, early DIA promises of modest staff assistance were changed on the basis of anticipated heavy personnel cuts: in February 1972, DIA notified the Chairman, USIB, that it could not continue to provide full support for the ISTP, though it did offer to provide some facilities and logistical support for a limited period of time at the Defense Intelligence School. In a letter to the DDCI dated 14 April 1973, Admiral de Poix advised that this space and associated support could not be continued in FY 1974, suggested an alternate location, and stated DIA could provide three full-time qualified employees. This proposal was later amended--facilities and logistical support were provided through the first half of FY 1974, but no funds or personnel were to be involved. Since that time there have been several exchanges of correspondence which discussed the matter, but the situation remains unchanged. (A more complete chronology is attached.)

3. It does not seem unreasonable to me to expect some personnel assistance from DIA in view of (1) its earlier assurance of such assistance, (2) the Community "character" of the ISTP, and (3) the willingness of other agencies to share in the administration of the Program. Indeed, considering the obvious interest of DIA as evidenced by the continued enrollment of the students, some assistance to the Program would appear to be a worthwhile investment.

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4. Since there appears to be an impasse concerning this matter between two agencies of the Intelligence Community, it would be very much appreciated if the IC Staff could look into the problem and perhaps propose a compromise acceptable to both parties. I would be pleased to provide any further information, if needed.

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Chronology of Correspondence Regarding ISTP + DD/M&S 74-2664

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CHRONOLOGY OF CORRESPONDENCE
REGARDING ISTP

3 Feb 72 - Letter from DD/DIA to USIB

States DIA could not continue full financial and personnel support to the Information Science Training Center, but could make physical facilities and other support available to others.

23 Feb 72 - Letter from Ex. Dir.-Comptroller, CIA to DD/DIA

States CIA's desire to use space, utilities, etc. at DIS to maintain the ISTP.

23 May 72 - Letter from Ex. Dir.-Comptroller, CIA to DD/DIA

Confirms satisfaction with joint DIA/CIA arrangements to continue ISTP. DIS to provide office space, guards, utilities, etc.

14 Apr 73 - Letter from D/DIA to DDCI

Acknowledges DDCI's interest in establishing an expanded joint community ISTP. States that space at DIS cannot be provided in FY 74: suggests an alternate location in Rosslyn. States DIA could provide three full-time employees, with appropriate expertise, on a loan basis. Replacements would be provided as necessary.

4 May 73 - Letter from D/DIA to DCI

Amends previous memo and agrees to continue provision in DIS for the ISTP for approximately 20 weeks in FY 74. Under this agreement DIA will continue to provide facilities support, but no direct funds or personnel.

31 Aug 73 - Letter from D/DIA to DD/M&S

Notes relocation of ISTP to CIA. States that under present conditions, DIA is unable to provide billets for personnel for assignment to the ISTP.

11 Oct 73 - Letter from DD/M&S to DD/DIA

Expresses regret re the 31 August letter. Hopes decision can be reconsidered to make instructional positions available.

25 Oct 73 - Letter from DD/DIA to DD/M&S

Says inability to provide staff has been reviewed several times since notifying USIB on 3 Feb 72, and, further, that CIA agreed to this arrangement at a meeting on 20 April. (CIA did not "agree" to this arrangement.) DOD personnel reduction exacerbated the DIA problems.

4 Dec 73 - Letters from ADD/M&S to D/DIA and to D/NSA

Two letters were prepared each of which outlined the current status of the Information Science Training Program and requested that both DIA and NSA specify their training needs in terms of student inputs for FY 75 as well as future programming.

14 Dec 73 - Letter from DTR to Commandant, DIS

Notifies DIS that CIA no longer has need for facilities in Bldg. T-4 and T-42 (Anacostia) as back-up facilities for ISTP. Also relays thanks to DIS for cooperation in retaining back-up capability.

11 Jun 74 - Letter from DD/M&S to D/DIA

Reiterates continuing need for DIA professional assistance to ISTP and asks reconsideration of earlier DIA decision.

6 Jul 74 - Letter from D/DIA to DD/M&S

Regrets "not in position" to provide assistance due to drastic personnel cuts in FY 74 and FY 75. (Copy attached)